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Francken shows a gasoline powered vehicle with two steerable rear wheels and a tiltable foot board. **Endo** shows essentially a standard four-wheeled skateboard with the addition of a fifth, electric powered wheel. The powered fifth wheel is mounted on the underside of the board toward the middle. **Staelin** shows an electric vehicle which is controlled by one or more pressure sensors mounted on the board. The **Segway™ Human Transporter** is a commercially available two-wheeled self balancing vehicle with an upright handle bar.

None of these inventions show a reversing motorized vehicle which can be controlled by the tilting of its rider-supporting member without the use of hand operated controls. All the references show vehicles which would either require hand controls, be very difficult to ride, or both. The **Segway™ Human Transporter** is also very expensive to produce, as the **Staelin** electric vehicle would very likely be. This is due to the high degree of technical complexity inherent in these vehicles.

Very Respectfully,

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